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SUBJ: ZIONISM EQUALS RACISM RESOLUTION

1. EC-9 IN VARIOUS CONFIGURATIONS HAS ASSUMED LEADERSHIP OF EFFORTS TO DEFEAT ANTI-ZIONISM RESOLUTION. BRITISH MET NOVEMBER 4 WITH CANADA, NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIA AND AGREED ON LIST OF COMMONWEALTH COUNTRIES WHICH UK WILL LOBBY IN CAPITALS. UK MISOFF IS ASKING UK EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON TO INFORM IO/UNP OF COUNTRIES INVOLVED SO THAT OUR MISSIONS CAN COORDINATE SUPPORTIVE ACTION. REQUEST LIST BE DATAFAXED TO USUN WHEN RECEIVED.

2. THE NINE HAVE TOLD BOTH GA PRESIDENT THORN AND (INDIRECTLY) WALDHEIM THAT THEY THINK PASSAGE OF RESOLUTION WOULD HAVE SERIOUS NEGATIVE IMPACT ON VIABILITY AND CREDIBILITY OF UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM. THORN AND WALDHEIM ARE AWARE THAT WE HAVE SIMILAR CONCERNS.

3. THERE IS A REPORT THAT SIERRA LEONE MAY BE WILLING TO TABLE MOTION FOR DEFERMENT OF ISSUE. SIERRA LEONE AMBASSADOR
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BLYDEN HAS TOLD BRITISH AND PRIVATE PERSONALITIES (E.G.

AMMBASSADOR FINGER) THAT HE IS INCREASINGLY OPTIMISTIC THAT DEFERMENT MAY BE POSSIBLE DESPITE PRESENT DETERMINATION OF ARAB LEADERSHIP TO GO AHEAD WITH RESOLUTION. WE HOPE DEPARTMENT WILL AUTHORIZED AMBASSADOR SAMUELS TO BE SUPPORTIVE OF EFFORTS TO ENLIST SIERRA LEONEANS.

4. THERE IS STILL FAINT POSSIBILITY THAT ARAB LEADERSHIP CAN BE PERSUADED TO ALLOW CONSIDERATION OF ZIONISM RESOLUTION TO SLIP BACK SO THAT IT IS DEFERRED UNTIL NEXT YEAR, WITHOUT ACTUAL VOTE ON DEFERRAL. THIS POSSIBILITY IS BEING PURSUED, BUT EVEN SO, WE BELIEVE OPTION OF DEFERMENT MOTION BY COUNTRY SUCH AS SIERRA LEONE SHOULD BE MAINTAINED.

5. ISRAELI MISSION IS OF COURSE LOBBYING ENERGETICALLY AND ISRAELIS ARE ALSO BUSY, FORMALLY AND INFORMALLY, IN CAPITALS. RATHER TO OUR SURPRISE WE HAVE LEARNED THAT EGYPTIANS ARE ACTIVELY LOBBYING HERE IN SUPPORT OF ZIONISM RESOLUTION. DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO CONSIDER RAISING THIS MATTER URGENTLY WITH EGYPTIANS, PARTICULARLY IN LIGHT OF THEIR REPRESENTATIONS TO US ON THEIR DRAFT RESOLUTION ON PALESTINIAN QUESTION.

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